# THE CALIFORNIA DEBT LIMIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE July 17, 2013

## Staff Report

# REQUEST FOR A QUALIFIED PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND ALLOCATION FOR A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECT

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Applicant: California Affordable Housing Agency

**Allocation Amount Requested:** 

**Tax-exempt:** \$9,823,000

**Project Information:** 

Name: Orange Tree Senior Apartments

**Project Address**: 1511 Robinson Street **Project City, County, Zip Code**: Oroville, Butte, 95965

**Project Sponsor Information:** 

Name: Orange Tree Senior Apartments, LP (Petaluma Ecumenical

Properties and Caulfield Lane Senior Housing, Inc.)

Principals: Richard Rodkin, Arthur Cooper, David E. Schmidt, Mary

Savage and Mary Stompe

Property Management Company: Petaluma Ecumenical Properties (aka PEP)

**Project Financing Information:** 

**Bond Counsel**: Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation

Underwriter: Not Applicable

Credit Enhancement Provider: Not Applicable

**Private Placement Purchaser:** Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. **TEFRA Hearing Date:** September 18, 2012

**Description of Proposed Project:** 

State Ceiling Pool: General

Total Number of Units: 49, plus 1 manager unit

**Type:** New Construction

Type of Units: Senior Citizens

The proposed project will be a new construction affordable senior housing project situated on a 1.53 acre site located in the central area of the City of Oroville. The site is generally flat and L-shaped. The project will consist of two apartment buildings with 49 one-bedroom apartments, approximately 634 square feet each in size with a 43 square foot private patio or balcony for each. There will be a 2,937 square foot common building with 2,097 ground floor square feet, featuring a full kitchen, community space, computer room, manager's office and a supportive services office. The common building second level will consist of a manager's unit approximately 863 square fee in size with two balconies. Each building will have a 308 square foot laundry facility co-located with the elevator and exterior walkways, which connect the ground, second and third floors. Construction is scheduled to begin in June of 2013 and completed by June 2014.

#### **Description of Public Benefits:**

Percent of Restricted Rental Units in the Project: 100%

100% (49 units) restricted to 50% or less of area median income households.

Unit Mix: 1 bedroom

The proposed project will include a bona fide service coordinator/social worker.

## **Term of Restrictions:**

**Income and Rent Restrictions:** 55 years

## **Details of Project Financing:**

**Estimated Total Development Cost:** \$ 13,395,648

**Estimated Hard Costs per Unit:** \$ 140,332 (\$6,876,285 /49 units) **Estimated per Unit Cost:** \$ 273,381 (\$13,395,648 /49 units) **Allocation per Unit:** \$ 200,469 (\$9,823,000 /49 units)

**Allocation per Restricted Rental Unit:** \$ 200,469 (\$9,823,000 /49 restricted units)

Sources of Funds:	Construction		 Permanent	
Tax-Exempt Bond Proceeds	\$	9,823,000	\$ 0	
Developer Equity	\$	0	\$ 10,000	
LIH Tax Credit Equity	\$	711,177	\$ 4,734,798	
Direct & Indirect Public Funds	\$	1,075,000	\$ 8,597,100	
Other (costs def to perm loan closing &				
accrued/deferred interest on City Loan)	\$	1,786,471	\$ 53,750	
Total Sources	\$	13,395,648	\$ 13,395,648	
Uses of Funds:				
Acquisition/Land Purchase	\$	265,000		
On & Off Site Costs	\$	947,027		
Hard Construction Costs	\$	5,929,258		
Architect & Engineering Fees	\$	643,660		
Contractor Overhead & Profit	\$	578,325		
Developer Fee	\$	1,388,312		
Cost of Issuance	\$	273,104		
Capitalized Interest	\$	423,291		
Other Soft Costs (Marketing, etc.)	\$	2,947,671		
Total Uses	\$	13,395,648		

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## **Description of Financial Structure and Bond Issuance:**

The proposed project will be a private placement transaction provided by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "Bank"). The bonds will be issued by the California Affordable Housing Agency. The Bank will purchase the tax-exempt bonds directly and will become the "Holder" of the bonds by virtue of the purchase. In exchange, during the development phase of the project, the Bank extends to the Borrower/Developer a variable non-bank qualified tax-exempt rate of interest. The loan shall bear interest at a rate per annum equal to 1.60% above the Bank's quoted one month LIBOR Rate, and is an indicative rate if the loan were to close as of the date of the commitment. The loan shall mature 20 months after the recordation of the deed of trust securing the loan. There will be no permanent tax-exempt debt on the project. The bonds will be fully paid down upon conversion to permanent financing. There shall be two (2) options of three (3) months each to extend the loan. Closing is expected to occur in June 2013.

#### **Analyst Comments:**

Not Applicable

#### **Legal Questionnaire:**

The Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the application. No information was disclosed to question the financial viability or legal integrity of the Applicant.

**Total Points:** 

82.5 out of 130

[See Attachment A]

#### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the Committee approve \$9,823,000 in tax exempt bond allocation.

## ATTACHMENT A

## **EVALUATION SCORING:**

Point Criteria	Maximum Points Allowed for Non- Mixed Income Projects	Maximum Points Allowed for Mixed Income Projects	Points Scored
Federally Assisted At-Risk Project or HOPE VI Project	20	20	0
Exceeding Minimum Income Restrictions:	35	15	35
Exceeding Minimum Rent Restrictions [Allowed if 10 pts not awarded above in Federally Assisted At-Risk Project or HOPE VI Project]	[10]	[10]	0
Gross Rents	5	5	5
Large Family Units	5	5	0
Leveraging	10	10	10
Community Revitalization Area	15	15	0
Site Amenities	10	10	7.5
Service Amenities	10	10	5
New Construction	10	10	10
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	10
Negative Points	-10	-10	0
Total Points	130	100	82.5

The criteria for which points are awarded will also be incorporated into the Resolution transferring Allocation to the Applicant as well as the appropriate bond documents and loan and finance agreements.